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### **Kentucky Virtual Library announces video contest winners**

FRANKFORT, KY – The Kentucky Virtual Library announced the statewide winners of its first video-production contest today at the Kentucky Teaching and Learning Conference in Louisville.

The purpose of the contest was to create awareness and encourage student use of the library, its databases and services. Each team entered a 15-second video which they wrote, starred in and produced.

Glendover Global Studies School in Lexington captured the award for the primary grades; Phillip A. Sharp Middle School in Butler earned the middle-school award; and Lincoln County High School in Stanford was named the winner in the high school division.

"The video contest was a wonderful way to tap into the creative talents and the technological skills of Kentucky students and create awareness of our information resources at the same time," stated Enid Wohlstein, library director.

"We believe it's especially important for students to use technology and work with librarians as well as teachers to support a higher level of study and research. Equitable access to reliable information resources is key," she added.

The contest, open to grades K-12, was created and operated by KYVL's Outreach Workgroup with the guidance of Elaine Harrison, coordinator of the Student Technology Leadership Program at the Kentucky Department of Education. Participating students were members of STLP teams.

The students submitting the winning entries and their coordinators include:

Glendover Global Studies School--Austin Armstrong, Carrie Bae, Ben Bonfert and Dee Turner, with coordinators Dianne Griffin and Beth Roberts;

Phillip A. Sharp Middle School--Andy French, Nicole Lynch and Casey Mullins, and coordinators Prestine Chapman and Patricia Lynch; and

Lincoln County High School--Zac Harmon, Trey Naron and Bryan Sanders, with coordinator Cynthia Sanders.

The Kentucky Virtual Library, a reference and research website, is part of the Kentucky Virtual University, a unit of the Council on Postsecondary Education. By encouraging collaboration between libraries and partners in education and using current and emerging technology, KYVL aims to provide all Kentuckians access to a core collection of digital information resources. For more information, visit [www.kyvl.org](http://www.kyvl.org) or call toll-free at 1-877-588-5288.

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Kentucky's Postsecondary Education System encompasses nine public institutions and numerous independent institutions and represents 229,061 students, 538,866 Kentucky alumni, and 275,108 GED recipients. When Kentuckians earn postsecondary degrees, their skills improve and their wages go up; they are more likely to lead healthy lives and be engaged in their communities; and they build better futures for themselves and for their families.

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